

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the Office Action mailed March 6, 2006.

By this Amendment, claims 12 and 13 have been amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 5. Support for the claim amendments can be readily found variously throughout the specification and the original claims. Thus, claims 1, 2, 12 and 13 are currently pending in this application.

In view of these amendments, Applicant believes that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration in light of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103

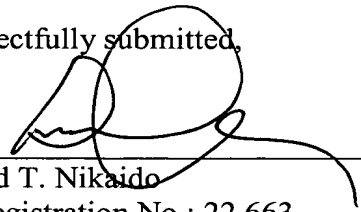
Claims 12 and 13 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being obvious over Roesler et al. (U.S. Patent 5,919,860). Applicant believes that this rejection has been overcome by the incorporation of the allowable subject matter of claim 5 into claims 12 and 13. Thus, in view of such amendments, this rejection can no longer be sustained and should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, all the claims now pending in the present application are believed to be clearly patentable over the outstanding rejections. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration of the claims in light of the above remarks is courteously solicited. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the below-listed number.

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